

REMARKS

After entry of the above amendments, claims 2-10 are pending in this application. Applicant again thanks the Examiner for indicating the presence of allowable subject matter in claims 2-10. Applicant has rewritten the limitations of claim 1 into claims 2 and 5-10. No new matter has been added. Consequently, claim 1 has been canceled as redundant. Claim 11 has also been canceled.

The rejection of claims 1 and 11 under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by Kawamura U.S. Patent No. 4,561,447 and claim 11 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, are moot in view of the above amendments.

Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, applicant solicits early action in the form of a Notice of Allowance.

In the event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing Docket No. 163852020800.

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